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please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

10. (Amended) The compound according to claim 1, wherein the compound is 3'-amino-3'-deoxy-2'-0,4'-C-methylene-5methyluridine.

Please add the following claims:

--24. (New) The compound according to claim 1, wherein the compound is 3'-azido-3'-deoxy-2'-0,4'-C-methylene-5methyluridine.